

## REFLECTIONS FOR THIS SUNDAY

### BAPTISM OF THE LORD

**FIRST READING:-**A reading from the Book of Isaiah (42:1-4, 6-7)  
The Prophet Isaiah invites the Israelites to hope for a new world where God will reveal his glory provided the people repent and prepare the way for the Lord.

**RESPONSE :-** The Lord will bless his people with peace.

**SECOND READING: -** A reading from the Acts of the Apostles (10:34-38)

St. Paul enumerates a few principales of true Christian discipleship that arise from one's Baptism, and invites his readers to be well disposed to the grace of Baptism..

**GOSPEL :-** A reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. Mathew (3:13-17)

St. Mathew rarrates the baptism of Jesus by john the Baptist in the river Jordan. At Baptism, Jesus' true identity as the Son of God is reaveled.



प्रभु का बपतिस्मा

पहला पाठ: नबी इसायस का ग्रंथ ४२:१-४, ६-७

नबी इसायस ईश्वर के सेवक के विषय में भविष्यवाणी करते हैं कि वह पृथ्वी पर धार्मिकता की स्थापना करेगा और लोगों को ज्योति प्रदान करेगा। वह सेवक मसीह हैं।

अनुवाक्य: प्रभु अपनी प्रजा को शांति की आपिश प्रदान करेगा।

दूसरा पाठ: पाठ: प्रेरित चरित १०:३४-३८

संत पेत्रुस इस पर बल देते हैं कि जो कोई धर्माचरण करता है वह ईश्वर का कृपा-पात्र बन जाता है। मसीह यही संदेश देने आये और अपने कार्यों द्वारा उन्होंने प्रमाणित किया कि ईश्वर उनके साथ था।

सुसमाचार: सन्त मत्ती का सुसमाचार ३:१३-१७

येसु पापी मनुष्यजाति का सदस्य बन गये। इसलिए निष्पाप होते हुए भी वह योहन से बपतिस्मा ग्रहण करते हैं। बपतिस्मा संस्कार के द्वारा मनुष्य पापमुक्त हो कर ईश्वर की सन्तान बन जाते हैं।

## PARISH NEWS

### LEO FLORISTS

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### FREE CLINIC AT MARIA BHAVAN BASEMENT

**ACCUPRESSURE TREATMENT:** There is free clinic for accupressure treatment every Saturday from 09:00 am to 01:00 pm.

**HOMEOPATHIC TREATMENT:** Free homeopathic treatment is available every Saturday from 05:30 pm to 07:00 pm.

### Holy Father's Intention For January

**Universal:** That all may promote authentic economic development that respects the dignity of all peoples.

For Evangelization: That Christians of diverse denominations may walk toward the unity desired by Christ.

### TAKE CARE OF YOUR BELONGINGS:

You are requested to take care of your belongings within the Church. Please do not leave your belongings when you go for Communion. If you find any suspicious characters please inform the ushers.

**PLEASE DO NOT PARK YOUR VEHICLES INFRONT THE CHURCH**

## READINGS OF THE WEEK

13/Mon 1Sam 15:1-8; Ps 49; Mk 1:14-20

14/Tue 1Sam 1:9-20; Ps 88; Mk 1:21-28

15/Wed 1Sam 3:1-10,40-51; Ps 143; Mk 1:29-39

16/Thu 1Sam 18:6-9, 19:1-7; Ps 55; Mk 1:40-45

17/Fri 1Sam 24:3-21; Ps 56; Mk 2:1-12

18/Sat 1Sam 9:1-4,17-19,10-1; Ps 21; Mk 2:13-17

# CATHEDRAL

## Calling

**“ GO, AND SIN NO MORE! ”**

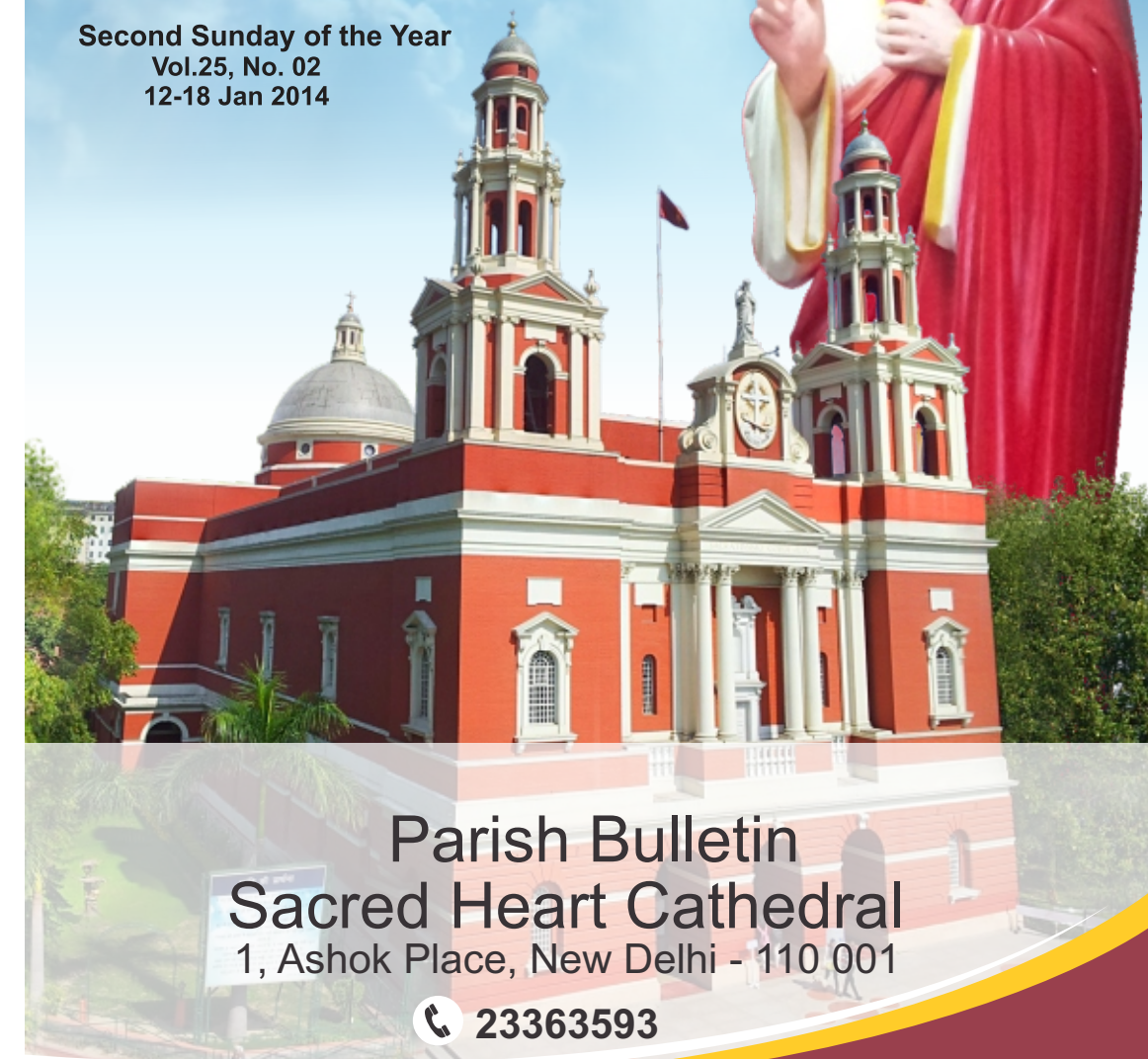
*First Sunday of Advent*



**Parish Priest:**  
Rev. Fr. Maria Susai

**Co-pastors :**  
Rev. Fr. Shyju Xavier  
Rev. Fr. Umesh Ekka

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## WINTER MASS TIMINGS

### SATURDAYS:

**Cathedral : 6.30 p.m. Sunday Anticipated Mass (English)**  
(Weekday Masses at 6.00 a.m., 1:00 p.m. and 6.30 p.m.)

### SUNDAYS:

Cathedral :	06.30 a.m.	—	English
	07.30 a.m.	—	Malayalam
	09.00 a.m.	—	English
	10.15 a.m.	—	Hindi
	11.30 a.m.	—	English
	04.30 p.m.	—	Hindi
	06.30 p.m.	—	English
Carmel :	07.30 a.m.	—	Hindi
Mater Dei :	07.00 a.m.	—	Hindi
ISI :	07.00 a.m.	—	Hindi

Apostolic Nunciature : 07.30 & 10.00 a.m.—English

### REFLECTION:

Why did Jesus, the Sinless One, submit himself to John's baptism? John preached a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins (Luke 3:3). In this humble submission we see a foreshadowing of the "baptism" of his bloody death upon the cross. Jesus' baptism is the acceptance and the beginning of his mission as God's suffering Servant. He allowed himself to be numbered among sinners. Jesus submitted himself entirely to his Father's will. Out of love he consented to this baptism of death for the remission of our sins. Do you know the joy of trust and submission to God?

The Father proclaimed his entire delight in his Son and spoke audibly for all to hear. The Holy Spirit, too, was present as he anointed Jesus for his ministry which began that day as he rose from the waters of the Jordan river. Jesus will be the source of the Spirit for all who come to believe in him. At his baptism the heavens were opened and the waters were sanctified by the descent of Jesus and the Holy Spirit, signifying the beginning of a new creation. How can we enter into the mystery of Jesus' humble self-abasement and baptism? Do you want to see your life transformed in the love and power of Jesus Christ? And do you want to become a more effective instrument of the gospel? Examine Jesus' humility and ask the Holy Spirit to forge this same attitude in your heart. As you do, heaven will open for you as well. The Lord Jesus is ever ready to renew us in his Spirit and to anoint us for mission. We are called to be "light" and

"salt" to those around us. The Lord wants his love and truth to shine through us that others may see the goodness and truth of God's message of salvation. Ask the Lord to fill you with his Holy Spirit that you may radiate the joy of the gospel to those around you.

## PARISH NEWS

### SEMINARY FUND:

It being the second sunday of the month, a second collection will be taken today in all the masses.

### HOSTEL FOR BOYS:

Archdiocesan Golden Jubilee Memorial Boy's Hostel for the Catholic boys studying in the English medium Schools and not having a very conducive atmosphere at their home for study is available at Bahu Akbarpur Rohtak. This is keeping in mind the future of the boys so as to make them assets to the church and the Society at large. Interested parents kindly see the notice board.

### PILGRIMAGE TO SARDHANA:

Our Parish is organizing a pilgrimage to Sardhana on Saturday the 8th February 2014. The charges for the conveyance and the food will be Rs. 250/- per person. Those who are interested to go to Sardhana may kindly give their names to Catholic Association members or parish fathers. The Bus will leave sharp at 7.15am. Last date for booking is 26th January 2014.

### PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY:

January 18-25 every year is a very special week in the Christian Calendar. It is the week of Prayer for Christian Unity. For all Christians it is a God-given opportunity to come together to pray and witness to the unity in Christ rooted in the Sacrament of Baptism. Let us pray for this purpose during this week of prayer. This year the unity octave begins from sacred Heart Cathedral on Saturday, 18th January 2014 at 7.00pm. kindly participate in big number.

### ABILITY UTSAV:

Chetanalya, the Social action wing of the Delhi Archdiocese is organising the mega event 'Ability Utsav' which will be celebrated on Saturday 18th January 2014 from 10.30am to 1.30pm at Talkatora Indoor Stadium. Entry pass and free lunch coupon is available outside the church.

### SCC ANNUEL DAY

The SCC Annual Day will be celebrated on Sunday, 2nd February, 2014 at DCC Hall, from 9.00am to 4pm. All those who would like to participate in it Kindly give your names to area incharge or to the parish Fathers latest by 25th January 2014.

## पल्ली सूचनाएँ

### सेमीनरी फण्ड

आज प्रत्येक मिससा बलिदान के दौरान सेमीनरी फण्ड के लिए दूसरा चन्दा लिया जायेगा।



### एस.सी.सी. वार्षिक उत्सव

रविवार २ फरवरी २०१४ को एस. सी. सी. वार्षिक महोत्सव डी.सी. सी. हॉल में मनाया जायेगा। यह प्रोग्राम सुबह ६.००बजे से शाम ४.००बजे तक होगा। आप सभी आमंत्रित हैं।

### ख्रीस्तीय एकता के लिए प्रार्थना

प्रत्येक वर्ष ख्रीस्तीय कलेण्डर में १८-२५ जनवरी तक एक विशेष प्रार्थना होती है जिसमें हम सभी मिल कर ख्रीस्तीय एकता के लिए प्रार्थना करते हैं। इस वर्ष शनिवार १८ जनवरी २०१४ को हमारे चर्च रखा गया है यह प्रार्थना सभा ७.०० बजे

### चर्च सपोर्ट फण्ड

प्रत्येक रविवार को चर्च सपोर्ट फण्ड आप काथोलिक एसोसिएशन के सदस्यों के पास जमा कर सकते हैं। चर्च को सपोर्ट करना प्रत्येक परिवार का कर्तव्य है जब आप पारिश ऑफिस में आते हैं तो अपना फमिली कार्ड साथ में लायें।

### लड़कों के लिए हॉस्टल सुविधा

बहु अकबरपुर रोहतक में लड़के बच्चों के लिए हॉस्टल सुविधा उपलब्ध है इसमें अंग्रेजी माध्यम के बच्चों को ही लिया जायेगा। यह उन बच्चों के लिए बहुत ही लाभदायक होगा जिन घरों में बच्चों को पढ़ाई के अच्छे माहौल नहीं मिलते हैं।

### एबीलिटी उत्सव

हमारे महाधर्मप्रांत के सामाजिक कार्यकर्ता चेतनालय की ओर से एबीलिटी उत्सव का कार्यक्रम तालकटोरा इन्डोर स्टेडियम में मनाया जायेगा। यह प्रोग्राम १८ जनवरी २०१४ को सुबह १०.३०बजे से दोपहर १.३०बजे तक होगा। प्रवेश और मुफ्त में लण्च के लिए कूपन सदस्यों के पास चर्च के बाहर उपलब्ध है।

### सरधना की तीर्थयात्रा

हमारे पल्ली में शनिवार ८ फरवरी को सरधना की तीर्थयात्रा का आयोजन किया जा रहा है। इसके लिए कूपन केथोलिक एसोसिएशन के सदस्यों के पास, और पैरिश ओफिस में उपलब्ध है। प्रति कूपन केवल २५० रुपए। बस सुबह ७.१५ बजे सरधना के लिए रवाना होगी।



*“Ask and it will be given to you; seek and you will find;  
knock and the door will be opened to you.”*